The Multi-Purpose Stadium

To enhance the student experience, Rensselaer is initiating a historic, unprecedented athletic investment—the largest in our history—the East Campus Athletic Village. The new Multi-Purpose Stadium will be an exceptional facility for outdoor varsity, intramural, and club sports. It will also accommodate major campuswide events, such as Commencement.

“I think that this will be a great facility for future Rensselaer football players. I also see it as a tribute to the Rensselaer football players, coaches, and administrators of the past.”  Joe King, Football Coach

In Phase 2, we plan to build a new natatorium, new indoor track with indoor tennis courts, outdoor tennis courts, and an additional artificial turf field.

THE MULTI-PURPOSE STADIUM

The new multi-purpose stadium for varsity football, soccer, and lacrosse, and outdoor intramurals and club sports will include seating for 4,800 spectators, a lighted synthetic turf field, concessions, press box, and VIP suite named for the Rensselaer Alumni Association. During the second phase, seating capacity will be increased.

Facilities for athletes, coaches, and officials will include men’s football, soccer, and lacrosse locker rooms; women’s soccer, lacrosse, and field hockey locker rooms; coaches and officials locker rooms for men and women; visiting team locker rooms for men and women; and shared men’s and women’s locker rooms for tennis, baseball, track, and softball.

The stadium will enable us to host a variety of championships, including high school and youth championships, such as high school football sectional championships. We also will be able to attract exhibitions of professional and national teams. As a major venue on campus, the stadium also will be used for concerts, convocations, Commencement, and marching band competitions.

Special features include:
• VIP Function Room overlooking the new Stadium field to the east and the existing Harkness Field and Track to the west;
• Open-air public Concourse with concessions and café seating; and
• New batting and pitching cages.

The flexibility of the East Campus Athletic Village will increase Rensselaer’s visibility and our value to the regional community and organizations throughout New York state and nationally. It also will create a new platform for Rensselaer to reach out globally and attract international events of all types.